

[English]

Unauthorised Encroachment on Surplus Land

3599. SHRI PROBIN DEKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government are aware of the unauthorised encroachments on a sizeable area of surplus land in the country earmarked for landless poor;

(b) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken to remove the encroachments;

(c) whether the accountability for such encroachments have been fixed on the officials responsible for distribution of such land to landless poor;

(d) if so, the number of officials found guilty of negligence of duty and the number out of them punished or being punished in this regard; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) Government of India have been informed from time to time about unauthorised encroachment on surplus land.

(b) to (e). States have been advised from time to time to plug legal loopholes, and tighten up administrative machinery and initiate proceedings for removal of encroachment. States have not reported cases of official negligence. Responsibility of implementing these measures lies solely upon the State Governments.

Utilisation and Installed Capacity of Cement Plants

3600. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Cement Plants in the country in Mini, Medium and Large sector, their installed capacity and quantity of different kinds of cement produced last years and target for the year 1992-93, State-wise; and

(b) the plan formulated by the Government for the growth of Cement Industry by making available adequate infrastructural facilities; and the additional incentives proposed for the cement industries working beyond installed capacity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) Details regarding number of cement plants, installed capacity and production reported during the last year, relating to large and mini cement plants, are given in Statement I and II respectively.

The production target for cement for the year 1992-93 has been fixed at 60.0 million tonnes.

(b) Infrastructural support to the cement industry i.e. availability of coal, power and railway wagons for movement of coal and cement is being closely monitored and remedial action taken wherever necessary.

The cement industry has been de-licensed and the manufacturers are free to enhance their capacity subject to clearance from locational and environmental angle.